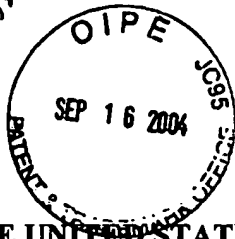


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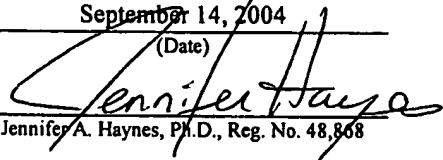
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Dear Sir:

Further to the Notice of Allowability sent from the United States Patent and Trademark Office on June 14, 2004, Applicants would like to amend the Figures as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper. Amendments are reflected in the Substitute Specification enclosed herewith as Appendix A.

**Amendments to the Drawings** begin on page 3 of this paper. A "Replacement Sheet" for each sheet of drawings being amended can be found in Appendix B.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 4 of this paper.